

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

A B S T R A C T

P.S. – PR&RD Dept., - Allegations of Corruption against Sri V.V.V.S. Lakshman Rao, MPDO., Cheepurupalli Mandal, Vizianagaram District – Trapped by the ACB authorities on 29-5-2003 – Prosecution in the Court of Spl.Judge for ACB Cases, Visakhapatnam – Acquitted by the Court by extending benefit of doubt – Dropped further action – Orders – Issued.

PANCHAYAT RAJ & RURAL DEVELOPMENT (Vig.IV) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No. 982

Dated:- 07-07-2010.
Read the following:-

1. Procdgs., of Dist., Collector, Vizianagaram, Rc.No. 1496/ 2003 / P5, Dt:- 30-05-2003.
2. G.O.Ms.No: 131, PR&RD(Vig.IV) Dept., Dt:- 18-06-2004.
3. Judgment of the Spl.Judge for ACB Cases, Visakapatnam, dt:- 31-08-2009, in C.C.No: 23/2004.

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O R D E R:-

It has been brought to the notice of the Government that Sri V. V. V.S.Lakshman Rao, Mandal Parishad Development Officer, Cheepurupalli Mandal, Vizianagaram District was successfully trapped by the ACB authorities on 29.5.2003 when he demanded and accepted an amount of Rs.3,000/- as bribe from the complainant for a grant to be sanctioned under Sampurna Grameena Rojgar Yojana Programme . The District Collector, Vizianagaram, after examining the matter, have issued orders to place the Accused Officer under suspension vide reference 1st read above. After completion of investigation, the Director-General, Anti-Corruption Bureau has furnished his final report, dated: 20.10.2003 recommending to prosecute the Accused Officer in a Court of Law under Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988. After examination of the matter, Government, have issued prosecution orders vide G.O. Ms.No.131, Dated: 18.6.2004. The case has been registered in the Spl.Juge for ACB Cases, Visakapatnam in CC No: 23/2004.

2. In the meanwhile, a review has been taken place and in the review meeting, it was decided to reinstate the Accused Officer, Sri VVVS Lakshman Rao, MPDO, Cheepurupalli Mandal, Vizianagaram district into service and to post him to a far off non focal post, without prejudice to the criminal case pending against him and accordingly he was reinstated into service pending prosecution against him.

3. In the reference 3rd read above, the Spl.Judge for ACB Cases, Visakapatnam pronounced judgment, on 31-08-2009 in CC No.23/2004. In the judgment, it was opined that the prosecution failed to prove the guilt of the A.O., for the charges leveled beyond reasonable doubt, whereas the defence succeeded in creating a reasonable doubt in the mind of Court about the genuineness of prosecution case. Hence, benefit of doubt is extended to Sri VVVS Lakshman Rao, MPDO., Cheepurupalli Mandal, Vizianagaram Dist., and acquitted u/s 248(i) Cr.P.C., from the leveled charges punishable u/s 7 & 13(2) r/w Sec.13(1)(d) of Prevention of Corruption Act.

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4. Government, after having gone through the orders of the ACB Court, Visakapatnam and material-on-record, hereby, drop further action against Sri VVVS Lakshman Rao, former MPDO., Cheepurupalli Mandal, Vizianagaram Dist., by extending benefit of doubt in ACB trap case.

5. The Commissioner of PR&RE., Hyd., shall take necessary further action in the matter.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

**M.V.P.C.SASTRY
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT**

To

Sri VVVS Lakshman Rao, MPDO., Vizianagaram Dist., through the Commissioner of PR&RE., Hyd.,

The Commissioner of PR&RE., Hyd.,

Copy to:- The Dist., Collector, Vizianagaram

The DG., ACB., Hyd.

The Secretary to APVC., Hyd.,

Sf/Sc.

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SECTION OFFICER